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FORMULATION FOR ENHANCING THE FLAVOR METABOLISM OF YEAST AND BACTERIA IN SPONGE

AND DOUGH, BREWS AND SOURDOUGH FERMENTATION

SYSTEMS (as amended)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. National Phase application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.